

RUSSIA'S DYING SOVEREIGN

It is Believed That the Czar is Slowly But Surely Passing Away

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It is stated by some who claim to know much of the Czar that the notion here put forth that he is kept in ignorance of the real situation in Russia is not a correct one but the burden of proof is the other way. His advisers came to understand him soon after his accession as a man of no great mental calibre, as one who meant well, but who was prone to devote his time to petty pottering over minor details—one who might make a mountain out of a molehill, but never see the real mountain at all; who might make a fliscover some slight discrepancy or wrong that a more able man might miss altogether, but one who would allow the grossest discrepancies to pass unnoticed. Accordingly all through his life he has been led to believe that nine-tenths of all the criticisms that have been directed against him and, his government have been infamous lies, that the number of dissatisfied people in Russia has been so small as to be hardly worth noticing, and that the great mass have been happy, contented, prosperous and loval. As to the lovalty of the average Russian there is no question; the Czar has been from time immemorable second only to the Deliy in the peasants' minds, and Alexander Hi has been regarded with as much reverence as was his father or any of his predecessors.

The Czarina only, it is stated, of all those who have had free access to the imperial ear, has been inclined to tell him the truth, to make clear to him the feelings of amazement, horror and disgust that have been entertained towards Russia and its government by the more enlightened nations of the West, She, it is said, has always been fully aware of the true state of affairs, and of the regard in which Russia has been held by the world at large. It is believed that her statements to the Czar and her express-



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AN EARLY LOVE AFFAIR.

Alexander would not be a Romanoff if his life had not been marked by many and varied love affairs. There was one, however, of which he was a victim early in life, and before his marriage, which if it had not been interrupted at the command of his father might have changed the history of Europe.

It was about six months before the death of his elder brother and a year and a half before he married the Princess Dagmar that he fell violently in love with the Princess Metcheriski, then a maid of honor to his mother, the late Czarrina. This young woman was of course of surpassing beauty. She was bright and of unusually delicate sensibilities. Had she not possessed all these characteristics, at least in the minds of the chroniclers, no son of the imperial Russian house could have been enamored of her. Alexander asked her hand and she promised to marry him. Then word of the engagement was taken to the old Czar. He said "No," and most emphatically and the present Czar was sent abroad that he might get over his attachment. While he was gone the Princess was forced to marry Prince Paul Demiorf. He was a man whose social eccentricities were so marked as to make him a noted character even in the Russian capital, and the Princess protested with many tears against the match, cansenting only when alleged proofs that her imperial lover had given her up were presented to her. Later she found that these proofs were fictitious and the mutual affection between Alexander and herself persisted for some years after his marriage to Dagmar who had been the afflanced bride of his elder brother. It is stated that the latter's knowledge of this tender feeling between her husband and his old sweetheart was the cause of much lealousy and many tears on the part of the Czar, and during their later years the domestic life of the imperial couple is said to have been almost ideal.

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end, in the hope that in that way he would be able to arrive at the real truth concerning everything appertaining to his government. Often when dissating the has deciled to affix his against the has been his custom so much notes indicative of his views from the matters treated by the documents, upon their margies, all the which have been carefully preserved by evering the portion the imperial his syns.

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This task the Czar appropriated to his intense satisfaction.

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As soon as possible a team was hitched to the new engine, and if was taken to the fire, which proved to be a small frame house outside the corporation and across a ravine, and a stream of water quickly stopped the fire.

At the Barton Heights Haptist church Rev. S. J. White, of Millersburg, O., will preach at II o'clock, Mrs. Lamb will sing.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 19, 1894.

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The Czar was tapped to-day for dropsy. It is impossible that the Princess Alix will reach Lavidia in time to be married to the Czarwitch before the Czar's death. A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that early in his filness the Czar witch, in which he outlined the policies that should be pursued in foreign and domestic affairs, and insisted upon his marriage to Princess Alix of Hesse.

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FRE CAR A BARD WORKER,

So absolute a monarch as the Czar of Russia must, in the nature of things, he a person in whose life and habits and doings the world at large would take much interest. His constant danger from the fury of his down-trodden subjects has added immensely to that interest. There has not been a day probably since his accession, that plans were



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